

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN TOBACCO
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to allow foreign investment in tobacco industries in the presence of declaration made 'Health for all in the 2000';
- (b) the number of persons suffering from T.B., Cholera, Malaria, AIDS, Polio, Cancer and Leprosy, disease-wise and State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken for treatment of these diseases and to fulfil the target 'Health for all in 2000'?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIN.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a) The Issues relating to Foreign Direct Investment in tobacco sector is presently under consideration of the Government in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

(b) A statement is attached.

(c) Health being a State subject, State Governments are primarily responsible for providing health facilities to the people. Accordingly, to achieve the goal of 'Health for All' by 2000 AD, a network of Rural Health Infrastructure comprising 1,36,815 sub-centres, 22,962 Primary Health Centres and 2,708 Community Health Centres has been established throughout the country under the Basic Minimum Services to provide preventive, promotive and curative health care in rural areas. In addition, the Central Government assists States both technically and financially under the National Health Programme for prevention and control of Malaria, T.B., leprosy, Blindness, HIV-AIDS, Cancer, Iodine Deficiency disorders, Mental Health problems etc. The Family Welfare programmes are entirely centrally sponsored Schemes are separately under implementation for strengthening the drug quality control and food safety administration in the Centre and States. Steps are also being taken for strengthening disease surveillance and epidemic response systems at district and State levels to prevent outbreak of infectious diseases.

India is committed to eradicate polio incidence by the end of 2000 A.D. To meet this objective, Pulse Polio Immunization programmes have been further intensified during 1999-2000. Development of Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy are being encouraged to widen the network of health services to people, especially those living in remote and rural areas.

STATEMENT

State/Union NO. OF REPORTED CASES SUFFERING FROM

Territory	T.B. (1998)	Cholera (1996)	Malaria (1999)	AIDS (2000)	Polio (1999)	Cancer (1997)	Leprosy (3/1999)
A&N Islands	657	0	875	0	0	-	89
Andhra Pr.	104896	172	117728	48	59	NR	35952
Arunachal Pr.	-	0	43774	0	0	-	440
Assam	13478	0	109418	33	19	1235	5227
Bihar	-	-	25979	3	347	NR	162848
Chandigarh	-	0	455	137	3	-	582
D & N Haveli	723	0	3175	0	0	-	258
Daman & Diu	1493	0	342	1	0	-	46
Delhi	28086	512	2698	219	177	-	2352
Goa	8919	0	13236	19	1	-	533
Gujarat	14119	200	57289	137	74	NR	7423
Haryana	107749	12	2563	1	60	-	1021
Himachal Pr.	17559	-	669	25	3	265	625
J & K	-	-	3166	2	6	-	1403
Karnataka	66786	657	86666	234	56	9541	12639
Kerala	39771	152	4651	106	11	6682	4208
Lakshadweep	23	0	1	0	0	-	12
Madhya Pr.	53357	0	417284	354	120	6360	34383
Maharashtra	78772	2098	128458	3379	101	13355	30977
Manipur	923	0	2421	446	1	-	522
Meghalaya	1940	0	12913	8	0	-	492
Mizoram	482	0	13705	12	0	-	106

Nagaland#	1919	-	288	29	2	-	61
Orissa	32567	85	273266	2	25	1478	34452
PondicherRY	19138	0	129	141	0	-	284
Punjab	134794	0	1092	100	27	-	1752
Rajasthan	20610	25	48780	106	157	-	9863
Sikkim	870	0	11	2	1	-	110
Tamil nADU	13302	453	50334	4354	26	9923	32713
Tripura	25	0	11465	0	2	984	579
Uttar Pr.	63853	59	86048	168	1332	2283	75992
West bENGAL	-	-	180377	57	88	NR	52012

NR = Not received

= Data for August 1998 not received.